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Subject: RE: City of Maquoketa TBA Draft Email Follow Up

Good afternoon,

I met with DeAndre, John, Kristen, and Todd Davis today to determine the next steps for this TBA application. The path forward is to send an open-ended email. Thank you for all of your assistance thus far. I tweaked the email one more time to leave it even more open-ended. If you have concerns with this email language, please let me know by noon tomorrow, February 12.

Good afternoon,

Thank you for submitting a Targeted Brownfields Assessment application to EPA Region 7. I apologize for the delayed response. EPA is unable to proceed with this TBA until the removal assessment conducted by EPA's Superfund Division is complete.

Perhaps there is another property within the City with assessment needs the EPA TBA program can assist with?



Thanks again,

Lisa Dunning

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Lisa—I agree with Susan's rationale and edits (although not her English 😊), with the exception of adding "the" to your sentence (see below). I might go a bit further and suggest that "it is uncertain whether EPA..." rather than "it is unlikely that EPA...."

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Lisa —
I made a minor edit to your suggested language (see below)

By the way, I am not sure why we are concerned whether they ~~has ask~~ for a TBA at the site after the removal assessment². The circumstances that impacted the policy decisions may be different- ~~by then~~ because additional information regarding the site will be available, the state may have proceeded further with the City, the City may have already undertaken the activities, the City may have a redevelopment plan, etc...
I am sure my opinion is frustrating, but I don't believe the door has to be so firmly shut. That is why I indicated the "present" scope

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Good afternoon,

Thank you for meeting with me this morning regarding the City of Maquoketa's TBA application. The proposal from Impact 7G (Iowa contractor) was meant to provide scope. That being said, I am reworking the draft email but am a bit stuck. We covered a lot of points this morning and am not sure how to capture them as a reply to the City. Of course the meeting will be setup with DeAndre, John, etc. before the email is sent but I believe the email content will frame the conversation with upper management. Here is what I have so far regarding the email:

Good morning,

Thank you for submitting a Targeted Brownfields Assessment application to EPA Region 7.

EPA is unable to proceed with this TBA until the removal assessment conducted by EPA's Superfund Division is complete. However, it is unlikely that EPA would move forward with this TBA application after the removal assessment is concluded because the requested activities do not fit within the present scope of the EPA Region 7 TBA program. ~~The offsite groundwater monitoring wells complicates site access.~~ (Is this sentence helpful? I don't think so.) ~~Furthermore, a stronger redevelopment path forward would encourage EPA's involvement. The City's best course of action at this time would be to continue working with IDNR's Land Recycling Program.~~

Perhaps there is another property within the City with assessment needs the EPA TBA program can assist with?

Sincerely,



Thank you for your help,

Lisa Dunning
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